

brief. As noted in Section III below, because the rejections of claims 82 and 83 are not appealed, those claims are not listed in Appendix A.

Please replace Section III of Appellants' brief with the following text.

III. STATUS OF THE CLAIMS

The application as originally filed contained 68 claims. Claims 1-14, 19, 32-46, and 69-81 were cancelled in a previous response. Claims 24-27, 31, 51-54, and 68 have been withdrawn in response to the Examiner's restriction requirement. Claims 15-18, 20-23, 28-30, 47-50, 55-67, and 82-83 are pending.


The Examiner has finally rejected claims 15-18, 20-23, 29, 30, 47-50, 56-64, 66, and 67 under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b) as being anticipated by U.S. Patent No. 6,387,986 to Moradi-Araghi *et al.* ("*Moradi-Araghi*"). Appellants disagree with these rejections.

The Examiner also has finally rejected claims 15, 23, 28, 47, 50, 55, 65, 82, and 83 under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over *Moradi-Araghi* in view of U.S. Patent No. 5,728,652 to Dobson *et al.* ("*Dobson*"), U.S. Patent No. 5,191,931 to Himes *et al.* ("*Himes*"), or U.S. Patent No. 4,531,594 to Cowan ("*Cowan*"). Appellants disagree with these rejections.

Appellants herein appeal the final rejections of claims 15-18, 20-23, 28, 29, 30, 47-50, and 55-67 as improperly rejected. A listing of all claims involved in this appeal is provided in Appendix A in this Brief. As claims 82 and 83 have not been twice rejected, those rejections are not appealed here and claims 82 and 83 are not listed in Appendix A.

Appellants believe that there are no fees due in association with this filing. However, should the Commissioner deem that any additional fees are due, including any fees for extensions of time, the Commissioner is authorized to debit Baker Botts L.L.P.'s Deposit Account No. 02-0383, Order Number 063718.0187.

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